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Recalls for Temporary Training

- Men are still being recalled for temporary training in Bulgaria. According to informant the last recall took place on 1-2 July 1953. Recalled men from the 1920 to 1928 classes were carrying out their service, probably with their own Army unit. They are called up for a 40-day period and trained with new Bulgarian Army equipment and Soviet guns.

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Calling Up of Regular Draft Groups

- Young men of the 1933 class were called to barracks, for Trudovak service, on 20 January 1953.¹ Among those called were young men from Gabrovo, Burgas, Maritsa, Vidin, Kula, Shumen (now Kolarovgrad), Plovdiv, etc. these young men were primarily ones with education (gymnasium, medium, and higher educations), with only a very small percentage

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of illiterates. [REDACTED] the call-up of 20 January 1953 concerned only educated young men of the 1933 class for Trudovak service.

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Law Deferring Men for Military Service

4. In late 1952 a new law was enacted according to which all young men who were gymnasium students or in other educational institutions at the time their class was called up, would be called up irrespective of whether they had started the school year, and the only ones exempt from the call-up with their class were those in the seventh gymnasium year. If a young man of draft-age received his orders to report to barracks in the first half of the school year, he would not be admitted to school; however, if this happened in the second half of the school year, he would be admitted to school.

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5. [REDACTED]

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Miscellaneous Units

7. An unidentified naval unit, [REDACTED] is stationed at the Varna Naval Base.
8. An unidentified unit [REDACTED] is composed of the ground personnel at Stara Zagora airfield.

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